

United States Postal Service

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(2) Managing research and development directed to the application of new concepts to Postal Service functions.

(3) Monitoring the technological interaction between the Postal Service and the outside environment. Responding to customer inquiries and complaints regarding postal products and services.

(f) *Consumer Affairs Department.* The Consumer Affairs Department is headed by the Consumer Advocate who reports to the Associate Postmaster General (Systems), and is responsible for:

(1) Responding to customer inquiries and complaints regarding postal products and services.

(2) Developing, with the Communications Department, programs to inform the public on mailing programs, procedures, and policies.

(3) Tracking service problems and identifying trends to resolve operating programs.

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§ 226.5 Associate Postmaster General (International).

(a) *General.* The Associate Postmaster General (International) is responsible for directing activities designed to increase international postal business, and for the relationship with foreign postal administrations.

(b) *International Postal Affairs Department.* The International Postal Affairs Department reports to the Associate Postmaster General (International) and is responsible for:

(1) Representing the United States in the Universal Postal Union (UPU) and the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain (PUAS).

(2) Providing liaison with all foreign postal administrations.

(3) Negotiating bilateral and multilateral postal treaties and agreements with foreign governments.

(4) Providing policy guidance on all aspects of international postal affairs.

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§ 227.1 General.

Headquarters Related Field Units are typically single function organizations that report directly to Headquarters and serve the entire Postal Service.

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§ 227.2 Inspection Service.

(a) *General.* The Inspection Service is divided into regional and divisional entities.

(b) *Inspection Service—Region.* The Inspection Service at the regional level is responsible for:

(1) Protecting the mails, enforcement of Postal laws, facility and employee security, and internal auditing.

(2) Managing the accomplishment of national programs and policies.

(3) Coordinating with other law enforcement organizations on security, audit, and other law enforcement matters.

(c) *Inspection Service—Division.* The Inspection Service at the division level is responsible for all inspection and investigation activities within the division area served.

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§ 227.3 Procurement and Supply Department.

(a) *Materiel Distribution Centers.* There are two materiel distribution centers, one at Somerville, New Jersey, and one at Topeka, Kansas. Materiel Distribution Centers are responsible for: